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2. Chinese UN delegate unreceptive to US suggestions regarding troops in Burma:

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The Chinese delegate to the UN does not believe that the Nationalist troops in Burma will accept internment or that the Burmese Government as an alternative to internment will permit their withdrawal to Formosa. He also thinks it unlikely

that his government will agree to recall Li-Mi, the leader of the troops concerned, and to hold him in Taipei.

In addition, the official indicated that he was not concerned about these troops precipitating a Chinese Communist invasion of Burma and even advocated that they be rearmed and sent back into Yunnan. While admitting the embarrassment that would be created by a Burmese appeal to the UN for assistance, the Chinese delegate stated that he would answer such action with "some eloquent speeches."

Comment: It has long been recognized that the Taipei regime exercises little or no control over its troops in Burma. Since the Burmese agreement to defer an appeal to the UN was, in part, contingent upon successful US efforts in obtaining at least a show of cooperation on the part of Taipei, this statement by the Chinese delegate may indicate that the problem is not yet resolved.

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7. Comment on reported revolt and state of siege in Argentina:

Circumstances surrounding the alleged army revolt against the Argentine Government on 28 September and the resultant proclamation of a state of siege indicate that the "plot" may have been largely precipitated by Peron. The only action against the government reported thus far is that army planes, flying over the business section of Buenos Aires, dropped leaflets urging the armed forces to revolt against the government. The quick action of the state-controlled labor confederation in calling a general strike in support of the government appears to indicate prior planning. The police who support Peron were not in evidence.

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By afternoon the government announced that it had crushed the revolt and the leaders were in flight.

Peron's purpose in staging such a demonstration would be to elicit greater popular sympathy by "proving" his continuing charges of conspiracy and to create a pretext for greater restriction of opposition activity. While some top generals object to many of Peron's policies, recent developments indicate that the army is now prepared to support Peron

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at least through the November elections.

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[redacted] Neither the Navy nor the Air Force is in a position to revolt. Peron has the support of labor. None of the opposition political parties has means to effect a coup at this time.

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